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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY 11/22/63 DALLAS, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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For the information of Albany, and New York, a telephone call was received at the Bureau at 5:50 p.m., on August 20, 1966, from an individual who identified himself only as "Art." He stated that he contacted the Bureau to advise that "a member of Mayor Wagner's staff, not Oswald, was responsible for the assassination of former President Kennedy." Robert F.

This individual advised he had been a Government informant for a number of years and had furnished information to the FBI in the past. In connection with his allegation, he would not identify the member of former New York City Mayor Wagner's staff that he had reference to, stating that to do so would jeopardize him. He did indicate that the individual he was speaking about had been in Dallas, at the time of the assassination. "Art" also stated that Oswald had binoculars; however, the significance of his remark was not explained. He indicated that if the FBI would check records, we would see there was a high wind on the day the President was assassinated making it impossible for Oswald to have fired the fatal shot. According to "Art" he has conducted considerable research into this matter and said "believe me Oswald didn't co it."

The telephone call was terminated abruptly. However, it was determined through the telephone company operator the call had been made from a toll booth in Troy, New York, but she was unable to determine exactly where in the city the call originated.

In the event "Art" contacts the Albany or New York Offices and is identified, the Bureau is to be appropriately advised.